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To establish the Federal Agency Sunset Commission.

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Mr. CLOUD (for himself, Mr. PERRY, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Ms. HERRELL, and Mr. GOOD of Virginia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To establish the Federal Agency Sunset Commission.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Federal Agency Sunset
5 Commission Act of 2021”.

6 **SEC. 2. REVIEW AND ABOLISHMENT OF FEDERAL AGEN-**
7 **CIES.**

8 (a) SCHEDULE FOR REVIEW.—(1) Not later than one
9 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Fed-
10 eral Agency Sunset Commission established under section

1 3 shall submit to Congress a schedule for review by the
2 Commission of each agency that lists the date of abolish-
3 ment for each agency.

4 (2) Such date of abolishment shall occur at least once
5 every 12 years (or less, if determine appropriate by Con-
6 gress).

7 (3) The Schedule for review will be in the form of
8 a joint resolution.

9 (b) REVIEW OF AGENCIES PERFORMING RELATED
10 FUNCTIONS.—In determining the schedule for review of
11 agencies under subsection (a), the Commission shall pro-
12 vide that agencies that perform similar or related func-
13 tions be reviewed concurrently to promote efficiency and
14 consolidation.

15 (c) ABOLISHMENT OF AGENCIES.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each agency shall be re-
17 viewed and abolished according to the schedule cre-
18 ated pursuant to this section and approved under
19 section 9, unless the agency is reauthorized by the
20 Congress.

21 (2) EXTENSION.—The date of abolishment for
22 an agency may be extended for an additional 2 years
23 if the Congress enacts legislation extending such
24 date by a vote of a supermajority of the House of
25 Representatives and the Senate.

1 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMISSION.**

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a com-
3 mission to be known as the “Federal Agency Sunset Com-
4 mission”.

5 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—

6 (1) The Commission shall be composed of 13
7 members (in this Act referred to as the “members”)
8 who shall be appointed as follows:

9 (A) 1 shall be appointed by the President.

10 (B) 3 shall be appointed by the majority
11 leader of the Senate, of whom—

12 (i) 2 shall be from among members of
13 the Senate; and

14 (ii) 1 shall not be Member of Con-
15 gress and shall have expertise in the oper-
16 ation and administration of Federal Gov-
17 ernment programs.

18 (C) 3 shall be appointed by the minority
19 leader of the Senate, of whom—

20 (i) 2 shall be from among members of
21 the Senate; and

22 (ii) 1 shall not be Member of Con-
23 gress and shall have expertise in the oper-
24 ation and administration of Federal Gov-
25 ernment programs.

1 (D) 3 shall be appointed by the Speaker of
2 the House of Representatives, of whom—

3 (i) 2 shall be from among members of
4 the House of Representatives; and
5 (ii) 1 shall not be Member of Con-
6 gress and shall have expertise in the oper-
7 ation and administration of Federal Gov-
8 ernment programs.

9 (E) 3 shall be appointed by the minority
10 leader of the House of Representatives, of
11 whom—

12 (i) 2 shall be from among members of
13 the House of Representatives; and
14 (ii) 1 shall not be Member of Con-
15 gress and shall have expertise in the oper-
16 ation and administration of Federal Gov-
17 ernment programs.

18 (c) CONTINUATION OF MEMBERSHIP.—If a member
19 was appointed to the Commission as a Member of Con-
20 gress and the member ceases to be a Member of Congress,
21 that member shall cease to be a member of the Commis-
22 sion.

23 (d) INITIAL APPOINTMENTS.—All initial appoint-
24 ments to the Commission shall be made not later than 90
25 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

1 (e) TERMS OF MEMBERS.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each member appointed to
3 the Commission shall serve for a term of 6 years.4 (2) VACANCIES.—A vacancy in the Commis-
5 sion—6 (A) shall not affect the powers of the Com-
7 mission; and8 (B) shall be filled in the same manner as
9 the original appointment not later than 30 days
10 after the date on which the vacancy occurs.11 (f) CHAIRMAN; VICE CHAIRMAN.—The Commission
12 shall select a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson from
13 among the members of the Commission for a term of 4
14 years.

15 (g) POWERS OF COMMISSION.—

16 (1) HEARINGS AND SESSIONS.—The Commis-
17 sion may, for the purpose of carrying out this Act,
18 hold such hearings, sit and act at such times and
19 places, take such testimony, and receive such evi-
20 dence as the Commission considers appropriate. The
21 Commission may administer oaths to witnesses ap-
22 pearing before it.

23 (2) OBTAINING INFORMATION.—

24 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Commission may
25 secure directly from any agency or advisory

1 committee information necessary to enable it to
2 carry out its duties under this Act.

3 (B) FURNISHING INFORMATION.—On re-
4 quest of the Chairperson of the Commission,
5 the head of the agency, or the Chair of the ad-
6 visory committee shall furnish information to
7 the Commission in a full and timely manner.

8 (3) SUBPOENA POWER.—

9 (A) AUTHORITY TO ISSUE SUBPOENA.—
10 The Commission may issue a subpoena to re-
11 quire the attendance and testimony of witnesses
12 and the production of evidence relating to any
13 matter under investigation by the Commission.

14 (B) COMPLIANCE WITH SUBPOENA.—If a
15 person refuses to obey an order or subpoena of
16 the Commission that is issued in connection
17 with a Commission proceeding, the Commission
18 may apply to the United States district court in
19 the judicial district in which the proceeding is
20 held for an order requiring the person to com-
21 ply with the subpoena or order.

22 (4) IMMUNITY.—The Commission is an agency
23 of the United States for purposes of part V of title
24 18, United States Code (relating to immunity of wit-
25 nesses).

1 (5) CONTRACT AUTHORITY.—The Commission
2 may contract with and compensate government and
3 private agencies or persons for services without re-
4 gard to section 6101 of title 41, United States Code
5 (relating to advertising requirement for Federal Gov-
6 ernment purchases and sales).

7 (h) COMMISSION PROCEDURES.—

8 (1) INITIAL MEETING.—Not later than 45 days
9 after the date on which all members of the Commis-
10 sion have been appointed, the Commission shall hold
11 the first meeting of the Commission.

12 (2) MEETINGS.—The Commission shall meet at
13 the call of the Chairman and not less than 2 times
14 per year.

15 (2) QUORUM.—A majority of the members of
16 the Commission shall constitute a quorum.

17 (3) VOTING.—The schedule for review sub-
18 mitted pursuant to section 2(a) and the report and
19 joint resolution submitted pursuant to section 4
20 shall have the approval of not less than a majority
21 of the members of the Commission.

22 (i) PERSONNEL MATTERS.—

23 (1) COMPENSATION.—Members shall not be
24 paid by reason of their service as members.

1 (2) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—Each member shall
2 receive travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of
3 subsistence in accordance with applicable provisions
4 under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, United
5 States Code.

6 (3) DIRECTOR.—The Commission shall have an
7 executive director who shall be appointed and termi-
8 nated by the Chairperson of the Commission.

9 (A) The executive director must be con-
10 firmed by a vote of at least seven members of
11 the Commission.

12 (B) The Director may appoint and fix the
13 pay of additional personnel as the Director con-
14 siders appropriate.

15 (4) APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN CIVIL SERVICE
16 LAWS.—The Director and staff of the Commission
17 shall be appointed subject to the provisions of title
18 5, United States Code, governing appointments in
19 the competitive service, and shall be paid in accord-
20 ance with the provisions of chapter 51 and sub-chap-
21 ter III of chapter 53 of that title relating to classi-
22 fication and General Schedule pay rates.

23 (j) OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.—

24 (1) POSTAL AND PRINTING SERVICES.—The
25 Commission may use the United States mails and

1 obtain printing and binding services in the same
2 manner and under the same conditions as other de-
3 partments and agencies of the Federal Government.

4 (2) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.—
5 Upon the request of the Commission, the Adminis-
6 trator of General Services shall provide to the Com-
7 mission, on a reimbursable basis, the administrative
8 support services necessary for the Commission to
9 carry out its duties under this Act.

10 (3) EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.—The Com-
11 mission may procure temporary and intermittent
12 services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United
13 States Code.

14 (4) GIFTS.—The Commission may accept, use,
15 and dispose of gifts or donations of services or prop-
16 erty.

17 **SEC. 4. REVIEW OF EFFICIENCY AND NEED FOR FEDERAL**
18 **AGENCIES.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall review the
20 efficiency and public need for each agency using criteria
21 described in section 5.

22 (b) RECOMMENDATIONS; REPORT TO CONGRESS.—
23 The Commission shall submit to Congress and the Presi-
24 dent not later than September 1 of each year a report
25 containing—

1 (1) an analysis of the efficiency of operation
2 and public need for each agency to be reviewed in
3 the year in which the report is submitted pursuant
4 to the schedule submitted to Congress under section
5 2;

6 (2) an analysis of authority claimed by the ex-
7 ecutive branch but not specifically authorized by
8 statute;

9 (3) recommendations on whether each such
10 agency should be abolished, reorganized, or contin-
11 ued;

12 (4) recommendations on whether the functions
13 of any other agencies should be consolidated, trans-
14 ferred, or reorganized in an agency to be reviewed
15 in the year in which the report is submitted pursuant
16 to the schedule submitted to Congress under
17 section 2; and

18 (5) recommendations for administrative and
19 legislative action with respect to each such agency,
20 but not including recommendations for appropriation
21 levels.

22 (c) JOINT RESOLUTION.—The Commission shall sub-
23 mit to Congress and the President not later than Sep-
24 tember 1 of each year a joint resolution to carry out the
25 recommendations of the Commission under subsection (b).

1 (d) INFORMATION GATHERING.—The Commission
2 shall—

3 (1) conduct public hearings on the abolishment
4 of each agency reviewed under subsection (b);

5 (2) provide an opportunity for public comment
6 on the abolishment of each such agency;

7 (3) require the agency to provide information to
8 the Commission as appropriate; and

9 (4) consult with the General Accountability Of-
10 fice, the Office of Management and Budget, the
11 Comptroller General, and the chairman and ranking
12 minority members of the committees of Congress
13 with oversight responsibility for the agency being re-
14 viewed regarding the operation of the agency.

15 (e) USE OF PROGRAM INVENTORY.—The Commis-
16 sion shall use the program inventory prepared under sec-
17 tion 9 in reviewing the efficiency and public need for each
18 agency under subsection (a).

19 **SEC. 5. CRITERIA FOR REVIEW.**

20 The Commission shall evaluate the efficiency and
21 public need for each agency pursuant to section 4 using
22 the following criteria:

23 (1) The effectiveness, and the efficiency of the
24 operation of, the programs carried out by each such
25 agency.

1 (2) Whether the programs carried out by the
2 agency are cost-effective.

3 (3) Whether the agency has acted outside the
4 scope of its original authority, and whether the origi-
5 nal objectives of the agency have been achieved.

6 (4) Whether less restrictive or alternative meth-
7 ods exist to carry out the functions of the agency.

8 (5) The extent to which the jurisdiction of, and
9 the programs administered by, the agency duplicate
10 or conflict with the jurisdiction and programs of
11 other agencies.

12 (6) The potential benefits of consolidating pro-
13 grams administered by the agency with similar or
14 duplicative programs of other agencies, and the po-
15 tential for consolidating such programs.

16 (7) The number and types of beneficiaries or
17 persons served by programs carried out by the agen-
18 cy.

19 (8) The extent to which any trends, develop-
20 ments, and emerging conditions that are likely to af-
21 fect the future nature and extent of the problems or
22 needs that the programs carried out by the agency
23 are intended to address.

24 (9) The extent to which the agency has com-
25 plied with the applicable provisions contained in the

1 sections 1115, 1116, 1117, 1120, 1121, 1122, 1123,
2 1124, 1125, and the first 9703 of title 31, United
3 States Code, section 306 of title 5, United States
4 Code, and chapter 28 of title 39, United States
5 Code.

6 (10) The promptness and effectiveness with
7 which the agency seeks public input and input from
8 State and local governments on the efficiency and ef-
9 fectiveness of the performance of the functions of
10 the agency.

11 (11) Whether the agency has worked to enact
12 changes in the law that are intended to benefit the
13 public as a whole rather than the specific business,
14 institution, or individuals that the agency regulates.

15 (12) The extent to which the agency has en-
16 couraged participation by the public as a whole in
17 making its rules and decisions rather than encour-
18 aging participation solely by those it regulates.

19 (13) The extent to which the public participa-
20 tion in rulemaking and decision making of the agen-
21 cy has resulted in rules and decisions compatible
22 with the objectives of the agency.

23 (14) The extent to which the agency complies
24 with equal employment opportunity requirements re-
25 garding equal employment opportunity.

1 (15) The extent of the regulatory, privacy, and
2 paperwork impacts of the programs carried out by
3 the agency.

4 (16) The extent to which the agency has coordi-
5 nated with State and local governments in per-
6 forming the functions of the agency.

7 (17) The potential effects of abolishing the
8 agency on State and local governments.

9 (18) The extent to which changes are necessary
10 in the authorizing statutes of the agency in order
11 that the functions of the agency can be performed
12 in the most efficient and effective manner.

13 **SEC. 6. OVERSIGHT BY COMMISSION.**

14 (a) MONITORING OF IMPLEMENTATION OF REC-
15 OMMENDATIONS.—The Commission shall monitor imple-
16 mentation of laws enacting provisions that incorporate rec-
17 ommendations of the Commission with respect to abolish-
18 ment or reorganization of agencies.

19 (b) MONITORING OF OTHER RELEVANT LEGISLA-
20 TION.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall review
22 and report to Congress on all legislation introduced
23 in either house of Congress that would establish—
24 (A) a new agency; or

(B) a new program to be carried out by an existing agency.

(2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Commission shall include in each report submitted to Congress under paragraph (1) an analysis of whether—

(A) the functions of the proposed agency or program could be carried out by one or more existing agencies;

13 (C) the legislation provides for public input
14 regarding the performance of functions by the
15 proposed agency or program.

16 SEC. 7. DISPOSITION OF AGENCY AFFAIRS.

17 The President, in consultation with the head of an
18 agency determined to be abolished pursuant to section
19 2(c), shall take such action as may be necessary to wind
20 down the operation of such agency during the one year
21 period following the date of abolishment for each such
22 agency including the designation of an agency to carry out
23 any ongoing authority, maintain custodial records, act as
24 a party to unresolved legal actions or other obligations
25 that cannot be resolved within one year.

1 **SEC. 8. PROGRAM INVENTORY.**

2 (a) PREPARATION.—The Comptroller General and
3 the Director of the Congressional Budget Office, in co-
4 operation with the Director of the Congressional Research
5 Service, shall prepare an inventory of Federal programs
6 (in this Act referred to as the “program inventory”) with-
7 in each agency.

8 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the program inven-
9 tory is to advise and assist the Congress and the Commis-
10 sion in carrying out the requirements of this Act. Such
11 inventory shall not in any way bind the committees of the
12 Senate or the House of Representatives with respect to
13 their responsibilities under this Act and shall not infringe
14 on the legislative and oversight responsibilities of such
15 committees. The Comptroller General shall compile and
16 maintain the inventory and the Director of the Congres-
17 sional Budget Office shall provide budgetary information
18 for inclusion in the inventory.

19 (c) INVENTORY CONTENT.—The program inventory
20 shall set forth for each program each of the following mat-
21 ters:

22 (1) The specific provision or provisions of law
23 authorizing the program.

24 (2) The committees of the Senate and the
25 House of Representatives which have legislative or
26 oversight jurisdiction over the program.

1 (3) A brief statement of the purpose or pur-
2 poses to be achieved by the program.

3 (4) The committees which have jurisdiction over
4 legislation providing new budget authority for the
5 program, including the appropriate subcommittees of
6 the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and
7 the House of Representatives.

8 (5) The agency and, if applicable, the subdivi-
9 sion thereof responsible for administering the pro-
10 gram.

11 (6) The grants-in-aid, if any, provided by such
12 program to State and local governments.

13 (7) The next reauthorization date for the pro-
14 gram.

15 (8) A unique identification number which links
16 the program and functional category structure.

17 (9) The year in which the program was origi-
18 nally established and, where applicable, the year in
19 which the program expires.

20 (10) Where applicable, the year in which new
21 budget authority for the program was last author-
22 ized and the year in which current authorizations of
23 new budget authority expire.

24 (11) Any other information the Commission de-
25 termines to be necessary.

1 (d) BUDGET AUTHORITY.—The report also shall set
2 forth for each program whether the new budget authority
3 provided for such program is—

4 (1) authorized for a definite period of time;
5 (2) authorized in a specific dollar amount but
6 without limit of time;

7 (3) authorized without limit of time or dollar
8 amounts;

9 (4) not specifically authorized; or
10 (5) permanently provided, as determined by the
11 Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

12 (e) CBO INFORMATION.—For each program or group
13 of programs, the program inventory also shall include in-
14 formation prepared by the Director of the Congressional
15 Budget Office indicating each of the following matters:

16 (1) The amounts of new budget authority au-
17 thorized and provided for the program for each of
18 the preceding four fiscal years and, where applicable,
19 the four succeeding fiscal years.

20 (2) The functional and subfunctional category
21 in which the program is presently classified and was
22 classified under the fiscal year 2020 budget.

23 (3) The identification code and title of the ap-
24 propriation account in which budget authority is
25 provided for the program.

1 (f) MUTUAL EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION.—The
2 General Accountability Office, the Congressional Research
3 Service, and the Congressional Budget Office shall permit
4 the mutual exchange of available information in their pos-
5 session which would aid in the compilation of the program
6 inventory.

7 (g) ASSISTANCE BY EXECUTIVE BRANCH.—The Of-
8 fice of Management and Budget and the agencies (and the
9 subdivisions thereof) shall, to the extent necessary and
10 possible, provide the General Accountability Office with
11 assistance requested by the Comptroller General in the
12 compilation of the program inventory. Such communica-
13 tions shall be treated as confidential until a report is
14 issued under section 4(b).

15 **SEC. 9. EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION FOR SCHEDULE FOR**
16 **REVIEW.**

17 (a) INTRODUCTION AND COMMITTEE CONSIDER-
18 ATION.—

19 (1) INTRODUCTION.—A joint resolution shall be
20 introduced in the Senate by the majority leader, or
21 the majority leader's designee, and in the House of
22 Representatives, by the Speaker, or the Speaker's
23 designee not later than 60 days after the date on
24 which the proposed legislation is submitted to Con-
25 gress. Upon such introduction, the Commission

1 schedule for review bill shall be referred to the ap-
2 propriate committees of Congress under paragraph
3 (2). If the joint resolution is not introduced in ac-
4 cordance with the preceding sentence, then any
5 member of Congress may introduce such legislation
6 in their respective House of Congress beginning on
7 the date that is the 5th calendar day that such
8 House is in session following the date of the submis-
9 sion of such aggregate legislative language provi-
10 sions.

(2) COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION.—

(C) DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE.—If a committee to which a joint resolution is referred has not reported such legislation at the end of 30 calendar days after its introduction or at the end of the first day after there has been reported to the House a joint resolution involved a joint resolution, whichever is earlier, such committee shall be deemed to be discharged from further consideration of such legislation and such legislation shall be placed on the appropriate calendar of the House involved.

12 (b) EXPEDITED PROCEDURE.—

13 (1) CONSIDERATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 calendar days after the date on which a committee has reported a joint resolution or has been discharged from consideration of a joint resolution, the majority leader of the Senate, or the majority leader's designee, or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, or the Speaker's designee, shall move to proceed to the consideration of the joint resolution. It shall also be in order for any Member of the Senate or the House of Representatives, respectively, to move to proceed to the consideration of the joint reso-

1 lution at any time after the conclusion of such
2 5-day period.

3 (B) MOTION TO PROCEED.—A motion to
4 proceed to the consideration of a joint resolu-
5 tion is highly privileged in the House of Rep-
6 resentatives and is privileged in the Senate and
7 is not debatable. The motion is not subject to
8 amendment or to a motion to postpone consid-
9 eration of the joint resolution. If the motion to
10 proceed is agreed to, the Senate or the House
11 of Representatives, as the case may be, shall
12 immediately proceed to consideration of the
13 joint resolution without intervening motion,
14 order, or other business, and the joint resolu-
15 tion shall remain the unfinished business of the
16 Senate or the House of Representatives, as the
17 case may be, until disposed of.

18 (C) LIMITED DEBATE.—Debate on the
19 joint resolution and on all debatable motions
20 and appeals in connection therewith shall be
21 limited to not more than 10 hours, which shall
22 be divided equally between those favoring and
23 those opposing the joint resolution. A motion
24 further to limit debate on the joint resolution is
25 in order and is not debatable. All time used for

1 consideration of the joint resolution, including
2 time used for quorum calls (except quorum calls
3 immediately preceding a vote) and voting, shall
4 come from the 10 hours of debate.

5 (D) AMENDMENTS.—No amendment to the
6 joint resolution shall be in order in the Senate
7 and the House of Representatives.

8 (E) VOTE ON FINAL PASSAGE.—Imme-
9 diately following the conclusion of the debate on
10 the joint resolution, the vote on final passage of
11 the joint resolution shall occur.

12 (F) OTHER MOTIONS NOT IN ORDER.—A
13 motion to postpone consideration of the joint
14 resolution, a motion to proceed to the consider-
15 ation of other business, or a motion to recom-
16 mit the review joint resolution is not in order.
17 A motion to reconsider the vote by which the
18 joint resolution is agreed to or not agreed to is
19 not in order.

20 (2) CONSIDERATION BY OTHER HOUSE.—If, be-
21 fore the passage by one House of the joint resolution
22 that was introduced in such House, such House re-
23 ceives from the other House a joint resolution as
24 passed by such other House—

(C) notwithstanding subparagraph (B), the
vote on final passage shall be on the joint reso-
lution of the other House.

17 (c) RULES OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
18 REPRESENTATIVES.—This section is enacted—

19 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of
20 the Senate and the House of Representatives, re-
21 spectively, and is deemed to be part of the rules of
22 each House, respectively, but applicable only with re-
23 spect to the procedure to be followed in that House
24 in the case of the joint resolution, and it supersedes

1 other rules only to the extent that it is inconsistent
2 with such rules; and

3 (2) with full recognition of the constitutional
4 right of either House to change the rules (so far as
5 they relate to the procedure of that House) at any-
6 time, in the same manner, and to the same extent
7 as in the case of any other rule of that House.

8 (d) FALBACK PROVISION.—If the Senate and the
9 House of Representatives fail to act within one year from
10 the date of introduction, the joint resolution takes effect.

11 **SEC. 10. DEFINITIONS.**

12 In this Act:

13 (1) AGENCY.—The term “agency” has the
14 meaning given the term Executive agency in section
15 105 of title 5, United States Code, except that such
16 term includes an advisory committee as that term is
17 defined in section 3 of the Federal Advisory Com-
18 mittee Act (5 U.S.C. App.).

19 (2) CALENDAR DAY.—The term “calendar day”
20 means a calendar day other than one on which ei-
21 ther House is not in session because of an adjourn-
22 ment of more than 3 days to a date certain.

23 (3) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
24 means the Federal Agency Sunset Commission es-
25 tablished under section 3.

1 (4) SUPERMAJORITY.—The term “super-major-
2 ity” means an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the
3 Members, duly chosen and sworn.

4 (5) ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—The term “advi-
5 sory committee” has the meaning given the term in
6 section 3(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act
7 (5 U.S.C. App.).

8 (4) JOINT RESOLUTION.—The term “joint reso-
9 lution” means a joint resolution consisting of the
10 proposed legislative language submitted by the Com-
11 mission under section 4(a)(3) and introduced or re-
12 introduced under section 7(a).

